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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of June 23, 2003, primarily in the nature of a requirement for restriction, petition and payment for a one month extension of time being attached hereto, please amend as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 26 of this paper.

**Attachments** including one table (1 page) and Amino Acid Sequence Alignments (5 pages) are attached following page 27 of this paper.

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